



# United States Air Force Museum 2003 Events

**New Year's Eve Gala (Hosted by Inventing Flight)**, Dec 31, 2002  
Launching the 2003 Centennial of Flight celebration.

**"Century of Flight" Aviation Art Exhibit**, January 16 - March 31, 9 am – 5 pm  
Exhibition of original Keith Ferris paintings featuring military aviation with an emphasis on USAF.

**"Wings and Things" Lecture Series**, monthly, Jan - May and Sep – Nov, 7:30 pm  
Features an array of interesting speakers imparting a diversity of perspectives on USAF heritage.  
**Jan. 14**, "An Airman's Faith, Inside Saddam's Prisons," by Col. David Eberly, USAF (Ret.)  
**Feb. 27**, "Lessons for Airmen from the Kosovo and Afghanistan Experience," by Lt. Gen. Michael C. Short, USAF (Ret.)  
**March 19**, "The Wright Brothers and the Birth of Aviation in Dayton, Ohio," by Mr. Robert Petersen.  
**April 17**, "The Man with the Tired Guardian Angel...My 33 Years of Flying Fighters for Uncle Sam," by Brig. Gen. Robinson Risner, USAF (Ret.)  
**May 22**, "MacArthur's Pearl Harbor: The Destruction of American Air Power in the Philippines, December 8, 1941," by Mr. William H. Bartsch.

## **IMAX Special Presentations**

Enjoy a variety of IMAX films during special evening showings. Begin at 7:30 p.m. Friends Members get in Free. Other attendees are \$4.00 per person, regardless of age.  
Jan. 29, March 5, May 6, Sep 3, and Nov 5.

**Behind the Scenes Tours**, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month, June/July/August offered every Friday  
Tours beginning at 12:15 pm of the Museum's restoration area. Advanced reservations required.

**Family Day**, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month (exception: Dec Family Day on Dec 13<sup>th</sup>)  
A variety of programs offered throughout the day for children 3-13 and their families

**"Hearts, Heritage and Heroes" Air Force Band of Flight Concert**, February 8, 7:30 pm  
A concert to commemorate Martin Luther King Day, Valentine's Day and Presidents' Day.

**Read Across America**, February 27-28  
Read-in for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders featuring aviation related stories. Advanced reservations required.  
For information contact the Museum's Education Division at (937) 255-8048, ext 461, 462, 463.

**Ohio Bicentennial Tribute by the Air Force Band of Flight**, March 21, 7:30 pm  
Concert celebrating Ohio's bicentennial with guest artist.

**"Air Power" Aviation Art Exhibit**, April 12 – May 31 9 am – 5 pm  
Featuring original artwork of aircraft bombers and fighters from World War II to the present with scenes by William Phillips, Roy Grinnell, Ronald Wong, Craig Kodera, Wilson Hurley, and Dru Blair.

**USAF Museum's Eugene Kettering Building Grand Opening**, Spring  
Opening of the Museum's 3<sup>rd</sup> hangar housing the Cold War Gallery

**The Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Collegiate Design Series**, May 2-4 (Outdoors)  
Engineering students from around the world compete to design, build and test a variety of vehicles.

**Armed Forces Day Tribute by the Air Force Band of Flight**, May 16, 7:30 pm

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniv. of Powered Flight Commemorative Stamp First-Day Issue Ceremony**, May 22  
The US Postal Service honors the aviation heritage of the City of Dayton and the US Air Force Museum with the national unveiling of the Centennial of Flight stamp.

**"Aviation Art Worldwide,"** June 6 – July 31, 9 am – 5 pm  
Aviation art of Robert Taylor (United Kingdom), Tiro Vorster (South Africa), Don Connolly (Canada), and 19 French artists of "Les Peintres De L'Air."

**RE/MAX Balloon Celebration**, July 4-6  
The Museum is proud to partner with Inventing Flight and RE/MAX for this incredible outdoor display of hot air balloons. Includes public balloon glows, competitions and a gas balloon race to Kill Devil Hill, North Carolina. Concert and fireworks display on July 4.

**World's Largest Airship (Blimp) Meet**, July 11-13  
The Museum is proud to partner with Inventing Flight for the largest known gathering of airships as they fly above Museum grounds.

**Glenn Miller Tribute by the Air Force Band of Flight**, August 16 (rain date Aug 17), 7:30 pm  
Outdoor concert. Please bring lawn chair or blankets.

**Giant Scale Model Radio-Controlled Aircraft Fly-In**, August 29-31  
Ohio Giant Scalors Branch of the International Miniature Airplane Association sponsors a 3 day fly-in of giant scale radio-controlled aircraft of all eras on the runway behind the Museum.

**"Those Magnificent Flyers" Aviation Art Exhibit**, August 26 – September 30, 9 am – 5 pm  
Exhibition of original James Dietz paintings of World War I aircraft and scenes.

**Dawn Patrol Rendezvous World War I Fly-In**, September 12-14  
The Museum and the Great War Aeroplanes Association offer a 3 day flying event of original and replica World War I aircraft. Includes WWI re-enactors in a war encampment area, radio-controlled model aircraft, period vehicles, music and a "swap and shop" of the WWI era.

**U.S. Scale Masters Radio-Controlled Aircraft Championships**, September 24-28  
Westerville Model Aeronautics Association sponsors all-scale radio-controlled model aircraft flying and competitions on Museum grounds. Judged event with top national radio-controlled aircraft flyers as competitors.

**American Kitefliers Association Grand National Kite Festival**, September 30 - October 4  
Kite Festival convention and competition at the Museum.

**Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) Aircraft Pull**, October 7  
Teams compete to pull a Museum aircraft with fees donated to the Combined Federal Campaign.

**“Fly Me To The Future” Aviation Art Exhibit**, October 9 – December 31, 9 am – 5 pm  
Aviation art of Robert McCall, John Clark and Mark Waki featuring space/futuristic aircraft and vehicles.

**Veterans Day Concert by the Air Force Band of Flight**, November 8, 7:30 pm

**Veterans Day Ceremony**, November 10  
Ceremony sponsored by Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

**Holiday Concert by the Air Force Band of Flight**, December 6, 7:30 pm

**Event Schedule Subject to Change**

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